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#### (54) Title: PYRROLOPYRIMIDINE DERIVATIVES

(57) Abstract: According to the present invention, there is provided an antagonist against CRF receptors which is effective as a therapeutic or prophylactic agent for diseases in which CRF is considered to be involved, such as depression, anxiety, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's chorea, eating disorder, hypertension, gastro-intesinal diseases, drug dependence, cerebral infarction, cerebral ischemia, cerebral edema, cephalic external wound, inflammation, immunity-related diseases, alpecia, irritable bowel syndrome, sleep disorders, epilepsy, dermatitides, schizophrenia, pain, etc. A pyrrolopyrimidine derivative represented by the following formula [I]: has a high affinity for CRF receptors and is effective against diseases in which CRF is considered to be involved.

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#### DESCRIPTION

#### PYRROLOPYRIMIDINE DERIVATIVES

#### TECHNICAL FIELD

The present invention relates to a therapeutic agent for diseases in which corticotropin releasing factor (CRF) is considered to be involved, such as depression, anxiety, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's chorea, eating disorder, hypertension, gastro-intesinal diseases, drug dependence, cerebral infarction, cerebral ischemia, cerebral edema, cephalic external wound, inflammation, immunity-related diseases, alpecia, irritable bowel syndrome, sleep disorders, epilepsy, dermatitides, schizophrenia, pain, etc.

# DESCRIPTION OF THE PRIOR ART

10 CRF is a hormone comprising 41 amino acids (Science, 213, 1394-1397, 1981; and J. Neurosci., 7, 88-100, 1987), and it is suggested that CRF plays a core role in biological reactions against stresses (Cell, Mol, Neurobiol., 14, 579-588. 1994; Endocrinol., 132, 723-728, 1994; and Neuroendocrinol. 61, 445-452, 1995). For CRF, there are the following two paths: a path by which CRF acts on peripheral immune system or sympathetic nervous system through hypothalamus-pituitaryadrenal system, and a path by which CRF functions as a neurotransmitter in central nervous system (in Corticotropin Releasing Factor: Basic and Clinical Studies of a Neuropeptide, pp. 29-52, 1990). Intraventricular administration of CRF to hypophysectomized rats and normal rats causes an anxiety-like symptom in both types of rats (Pharmacol. Rev., 43, 425-473, 1991; and Brain Res. Rev., 15, 71-100, 20 1990). That is, there are suggested the participation of CRF in hypothalamuspituitary-adrenal system and the pathway by which CRF functions as a neurotransmitter in central nervous system.

The review by Owens and Nemeroff in 1991 summarizes diseases in
which CRF is involved (Pharmacol. Rev., 43, 425-474, 1991). That is, CRF is
involved in depression, anxiety, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease,
Huntington's chorea, eating disorder, hypertension, gastrointestinal diseases, drug

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dependence, inflammation, immunity-related diseases, etc. It has recently been reported that CRF is involved also in epilepsy, cerebral infarction, cerebral ischemia, cerebral edema, and cephalic external wound (Brain Res. 545, 339-342, 1991; Ann. Neurol. 31, 48-498, 1992; Dev. Brain Res. 91, 245-251, 1996; and Brain Res. 744, 166-170, 1997). Accordingly, antagonists against CRF receptors are useful as therapeutic agents for the diseases described above.

US2004224964 discloses 6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine derivatives as CRF receptor antagonists. However, none disclose the compounds provided in the present invention.

# 10 PROBLEM(S) TO BE SOLVED BY THE INVENTION

An object of the present invention is to provide an antagonist against CRF receptors which is effective as a therapeutic or prophylactic agent for diseases in which CRF is considered to be involved, such as depression, anxiety, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's chorea, eating disorder, hypertension, gastro-intesinal diseases, drug dependence, cerebral infarction, cerebral ischemia, cerebral edema, cephalic external wound, inflammation, immunity-related diseases, alpecia, irritable bowel syndrome, sleep disorders, epilepsy, dermatitides, schizophrenia, pain, etc.

# MEANS FOR SOLVING THE PROBLEM

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The present inventors earnestly investigated pyrrolopyrimidines that have a high affinity for CRF receptors, whereby the present invention has been accomplished.

The present invention is pyrrolopyrimidine derivatives explained below.

A pyrrolopyrimidine derivative represented by the following formula [I]:

(wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2.9</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>3.7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3.7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3.7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, hydroxy-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, carbamoyl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl or heteroaryl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, in which said aryl and heteroaryl are optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylcarbonyl;

R2 is C1.salkyl or C1.shaloalkyl;

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 $R^3$  is hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl- $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, benzyl;

the bond between X and Y is a single bond or a double bond;

wherein (1) when the bond between X and Y is a single bond, X is CR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup> or C=O; Y is CR<sup>6</sup>R<sup>7</sup>, C=O, C=N-OR<sup>8</sup> or C=CH-R<sup>9</sup>; (2) when the bond between X and Y is a double bond. X is CR<sup>10</sup>: Y is CR<sup>11</sup>:

 $R^4$  and  $R^5$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or  $C_{Lea} l k \nu l;$ 

 $R^6$  and  $R^7$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen,  $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkyl,  $C_2$ .  $\epsilon$ cycloalkyl,  $C_2$ .  $\epsilon$ alkenyl,  $C_2$ .  $\epsilon$ alkynyl, hydroxy,  $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkylamino, di( $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkyl)amino, di( $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkyl)amino- $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkyl,  $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkylcarbonylamino,  $C_2$ .  $\epsilon$ cycloalkylcarbonylamino, arylcarbonylamino, heteroarylcarbonylamino,  $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkylaminocarbonyl or  $C_1$ .  $\epsilon$ alkylaminocarbonylamino; or  $R^6$  and  $R^7$  are taken together to form  $C_3$ .  $\epsilon$ cycloalkyl, with the proviso that not both of  $CR^4R^5$  and  $CR^6R^7$  are CH:

R8 is hydrogen or C1-6alkyl;

R<sup>9</sup> is C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl, wherein said aryl and heteroaryl are optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently 30 selected from the group consisting of halogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

Ar is arvl or heteroarvl which arvl or heteroarvl is unsubstituted or

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substituted with 1 or more substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cyclo alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, cyano, C<sub>1-6</sub>haloalkyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and -N(R<sup>12</sup>)R<sup>13</sup>, wherein R<sup>12</sup> and R<sup>13</sup> are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl), individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.

The terms used in the present specification have the following meanings.

The term "C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a straight chain or branched chain alkyl group of 1 to 9 carbon atoms, such as methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, isobutyl, tert-butyl, sec-butyl, pentyl, isopentyl, 1-methylbutyl, hexyl, isohexyl, 1-ethylpropyl, 1-ethylbutyl, 1,3-dimethylbutyl, 1-propylbutyl, 1-propylpentyl, 1-butylpentyl or the like.

15 The term "C<sub>2-9</sub>alkeny!" means a straight chain or branched chain alkenyl group of 2 to 9 carbon atoms, such as vinyl, isopropenyl, allyl or the like.

The term "C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl" means a cyclic alkyl group of 3 to 7 carbon atoms, such as cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, cycloheptyl or the like.

The term " $C_3$ -rcycloalkyl- $C_1$ -salkyl" means a substituted  $C_1$ -salkyl group having the above-mentioned  $C_3$ -rcycloalkyl as the substituent, such as cyclopropylmethyl, 1-cyclopropylethyl, 1-cycloputylethyl, 1-cyclopentylethyl, 2-cyclopropylethyl, 2-cyclopentylethyl, 1-cyclopropylpropyl, 1-cyclobutylpropyl, 1-cyclopropylmethylpropyl, 1-cyclopropylmethylbutyl or the like.

The term "di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a substituted C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl group having two above-mentioned C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl groups as the substituents, such as di(cyclopropyl)methyl, di(cyclobutyl)methyl, di(cyclopentyl)methyl or the like.

The term "C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy" means a straight chain or branched chain alkoxy

30 group of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, such as methoxy, ethoxy, pro-poxy, isopropyloxy,
butoxy, isobutyloxy, pentyloxy, isopentyloxy or the like.

The term " $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy- $C_{1-9}$ alkyl" means a substituted  $C_{1-9}$ alkyl group having the above-mentioned  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy group as the substituent, such as

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methoxymethyl, 2-methoxyethyl, 2-ethoxyethyl, 1-methoxymethyl-propyl, 1-methoxymethyl-butyl or the like.

The term "di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a substituted C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl group having two above-mentioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy groups as the substituents, such as 2,3
di(methoxy)propyl, 2-methoxy-1-methoxymethyl-ethyl, 2,4-(diethoxy)pentyl or the like.

The term "hydroxy- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl" means a substituted  $C_{1.9}$ alkyl group having a hydroxy group, such as hydroxymethyl, 1-hydroxyethyl, 2-hydroxyethyl, 1-hydroxypropyl, 2-hydroxypropyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 4-hydroxybutyl, 5
10 hydroxypentyl, 1-hydroxymethyl-propyl, 1-hydroxymethyl-butyl, 1-hydroxymethyl-3-methyl-butyl or the like.

The term "cyano- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl" means a substituted  $C_{1.9}$ alkyl group having a cyano group, such as cyanomethyl, 1-cyanoethyl, 2-cyanoethyl, 1-cyanopropyl, 1-cyanobutyl, 5-cyanopentyl, 2-cyano-1-ethyl-ethyl, 1-cyanomethyl-butyl, 1-cyano-3-methyl-butyl, 1-cyanomethyl-3-methyl-butyl or the like.

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The term "carbamoyl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a substituted C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl group having a carbamoyl group, such as carbamoylmethyl, 1-carbamoylethyl, 2-carbamoylethyl, 1-carbamoylpropyl, 1-carbamoylbutyl, 5-carbamoylpentyl, 1-carbamoyl-3-methyl-butyl, 1-carbamoylmethyl-butyl, 1-carbamoylmethyl-butyl, 1-carbamoylmethyl-3-methyl-butyl or the like.

The term "di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino" means an amino group having two abovementioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl groups, such as dimethylamino, diethylamino, dipropylamino or the like.

The term "di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a substituted C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl

group having an above-mentioned di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino group, such as 2dimethylaminoethyl, 3-dimethylaminopropyl or the like.

The term "aryl" means a monocyclic or bicyclic group of 6 to 12 ring carbon atoms having at least one aromatic ring, such as phenyl, naphthyl, or the like.

The term "heteroaryl" means a monocyclic or bicyclic group of 5 to 12 ring atoms having at least one aromatic ring having in its ring 1 to 4 atoms which may be the same or different and are selected from nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur, such as pyridyl, pyrimidinyl, imidazolyl, furyl, thienyl, quinolyl, indolyl,

benzofuranyl, quinoxalinyl, benzo[1,2,5]thiadiazolyl, benzo[1,2,5]oxadiazolyl or the like.

The term "aryl- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl" means a substituted  $C_{1.9}$ alkyl group having an above-mentioned aryl group, such as benzyl, phenethyl, 3-phenylpropyl or the like.

The term "heteroaryl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl" means a substituted C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl group having an above-mentioned heteroaryl group, such as pyridin-2-ylmethyl, pyridin-3-ylmethyl, pyridin-4-ylmethyl or the like.

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The term "C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylthio" means a straight chain or branched chain alkylthio group of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, such as methylthio, ethylthio, propylthio or 10 the like.

The term " $C_{1-6}$ alkylsulfonyl" means a straight chain or branched chain alkylsulfonyl group of 1 to 6 carbon atoms, such as methylsulfonyl, ethylsulfonyl, propylsulfonyl or the like.

The term "mono(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl" means a substituted

aminosulfonyl group having an above mentioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, such as
methylaminosulfonyl, ethylaminosulfonyl or the like.

The term "di( $C_{1-6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl" means a substituted aminosulfonyl group having two above mentioned  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, such as dimethylaminosulfonyl, diethylaminosulfonyl or the like.

20 The term "halogen" means fluorine, chlorine, bromine or iodine atom.

The term  ${}^{"}C_{1-6}$ haloalkyl ${}^{"}$  means a substituted  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl ${}^{"}$  having one to three halogen atoms, such as trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, fluoromethyl, trichloromethyl or the like.

The term " $C_{1-6}$ alkylcarbonyl" means an acyl group of 1 to 7 carbon atoms 25 acetyl, propionyl, butyryl or the like.

The term "C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl" means a straight chain or branched chain alkynyl group of 2 to 6 carbon atoms, such as ethynyl, prop-1-ynyl, prop-2-ynyl or the like.

The term "C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylamino" means a substituted amino group having an above-mentioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl group, such as methylamino, ethylamino, propylamino or the like.

The term " $C_{1-6}$ alkylcarbonylamino" means a substituted amino group having a  $C_{1-6}$ alkylcarbonyl group, such as acetylamino, propionylamino, 3-methylbutyrylamino, isobutyrylamino, n-butyrylamino or the like.

The term " $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkylcarbonylamino" means a substituted amino group having a  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkylcarbonyl group, such as cyclopropane carbonylamino, cyclobutanecarbonylamino or the like.

The term "arylcarbonylamino" means a substituted amino group having an above mentioned aryl group, such as phenylcarbonylamino or the like.

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The term "heteroarylcarbonylamino" means a substituted amino group having an above mentioned heteroaryl group, such as (furan-2-carbonyl)amino, (pyridine-2-carbonyl)amino, (pyridine-3-carbonyl)amino, (pyridine-4-carbonyl)amino or the like.

The term "C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylaminocarbonyl" means a substituted anninocarbonyl group having an above mentioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl group, such as methylcarbamoyl, ethylcarbamoyl, isopropylcarbamoyl or the like.

The term "C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylaminocarbonylamino" means a substituted aminocarbonylamino group having an above mentioned C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl group, such as 3-methylureido, 3-ethylureido, 3-propylureido, 3-isopropylureido or the like.

The phrase "aryl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 or more substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C1-6alkyl, C3-7cycloalkyl, C2-6alkenyl, C2-6alkynyl, C1-6alkoxy, C1-6alkylthio, C1-6alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono(C1-6alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C1-6alkyl)aminosulfonyl, cyano, C1-6haloalkyl, 20 trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and -N(R12)R13, wherein R12 and R13 are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C1-6alkyl" includes, for example, 2,4-dimethylphenyl, 2,6-dimethylphenyl, 2,4dibromophenyl, 2-bromo-4-isoproylphenyl, 2,4-dichlorophenyl, 2,6-dichlorophenyl, 2-chloro-4-trifluorome thylphenyl, 4-methoxy-2-methylphenyl, 2-chloro-4trifluoromethoxyphenyl, 4-isopropyl-2-methylthiophenyl, 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl, 4bromo-2,6-dimethylph enyl, 4-bromo-2,6-diethylphenyl, 4-chloro-2,6dimethylphenyl, 2,4,6-tribromophenyl, 2,4,5-tribromophenyl, 2,4,6-trichlorophenyl, 2,4,5-trichlorophenyl, 4-bromo-2,6-dichlorophenyl, 6-chloro-2,4-dibromophenyl, 2,4-dibromo-6-fluorop henyl, 2,4-dibromo-6-methylphenyl, 2,4-dibromo-6-30 methoxyphenyl, 2,4-di bromo-6-methylthiophenyl, 2,6-dibromo-4-iso propylphenyl, 2,6-dibromo-4-trifluoromethylphenyl, 2-bromo-4-trifluoromethylphenyl, 4-bromo-2-chlorophenyl, 2-bromao-4-chlorophenyl, 4-bromo-2-methylphenyl, 4-chloro-2methylphenyl, 2,4-dimethoxyphenyl, 2,6-dimethyl-4-methoxyphenyl, 4-chloro-2,6-dibromophenyl, 4-bromo-2,6-difluorophenyl, 2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl, 2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl, 2,6-dibromo-4-trifluoromethoxyphenyl, 2-chloro-4,6-dimethylphenyl, 2-bromo-4,6-dimethylphenyl, 2-bromo-4-isopropyl-6-methoxyphenyl, 2,4-dimethoxy-6-methylphenyl, 6-dimethylamino-4-methylpyridin-3-yl, 2-chloro-6-trifluoromethylpyridin-3-yl, 2-chloro-6-trifluoromethylpyridin-3-yl, 6-methoxy-2-trifluoromethylpyridin-3-yl, 2-chloro-6-difluoromethylpyridin-3-yl, 6-methoxy-2-methylpyridin-3-yl, 2,6-dimethoxypyridin-3-yl, 4,6-dimethyl-2-

10 trifluoromethylpyrimidin-5-yl, 2-dimethylamino-6-methylpyridin-3-yl.

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30 [II]:

The "pharmaceutically acceptable salts" in the present invention include, for example, salts with an inorganic acid such as sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid or the like; salts with an organic acid such as acetic acid, oxalic acid, lactic acid, tartaric acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, citric acid, benzenesulfonic acid, methanesulfonic acid, p-toluenesulfonic acid, benzoic acid, camphorsulfonic acid, ethanesulfonic acid, glucoheptonic acid, gluconic acid, glutamic acid, glycolic acid, malic acid, malonic acid, marndelic acid, glactaric acid, naphthalene-2-sulfonic acid or the like; salts with one or more metal ions such as lithium ion, sodium ion, potassium ion, calcium ion, magnesium ion, zinc ion, aluminium ion or the like; salts with an amine such as ammonia, arginine, lysine, piperazine, choline, diethylamine, 4-phenylcyclohexylamine, 2-aminoethanol, benzathine or the like.

In a compound of the present invention, isomers such as diaster comers, enantiomers, geometric isomers and tautomeric forms may exist. The cornpound of the present invention includes the individual isomers and the racemic and non-racemic mixtures of the isomers.

Preferable examples of the compound of the present invention are as follows.

The pyrrolopyrimidine derivative represented by the following formula

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(wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-9</sub>alk enyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl,
di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl,
hydroxy-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, cyano-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, carbamoyl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl or heteroaryl-C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, in which said aryl and
heteroaryl optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently
selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, nzono(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>haloalkyl, cyano, nitro, -NR<sup>1a</sup>R<sup>1b</sup>, where R<sup>1a</sup> and
R<sup>1b</sup> are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylcarbonyl;

R2 is C1-6alkyl or C1-6haloalkyl;

 $R^3$  is hydrogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alk-yl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, benzyl;

R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

R11 is hydrogen, C1-6alkyl or di(C1-6alkyl)amino-C1-6alkyl;

Ar is aryl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 or more substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $C_{1.6}$ alkyl,  $C_{3.7}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{2.6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2.6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{1.6}$ alkoxy,  $C_{1.6}$ alkylthi o,  $C_{1.6}$ alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono( $C_{1.6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di( $C_{1.6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, cyano, halo $C_{1.6}$ alkyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and  $-N(R^{12})R^{13}$ , wherein  $R^{12}$  and  $R^{13}$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or  $C_{1.6}$ alkyl).

More preferable are the compound represented by the formula [II], wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-0</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, hydroxy-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, cyano-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, carbamoyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, aryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or

heteroaryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>2</sup> is C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C1-6alkyl; R11 is hydrogen, C1-6alkyl or di(C1-6alkyl)aminoC1-6alkyl; Ar is arvl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with one to three substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of 5 halogen, C1-6alkyl, C2-7cvcloalkyl, C2-6alkenyl, C2-6alkynyl, C1-6alkoxy, C1alkylthio, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and -N(R12)R13, wherein R12 and R13 are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C1-6alkyl. More preferable are the compound represented by the formula [III], wherein R1 is C1-oalkyl, C3-7cycloalkyl, C3-7cycloalkyl-C1-6alkyl, di(C3-7cycloalkyl)-C1-6alkyl, C1-6alkoxy-C1-6alkyl, di(C1-6alkoxy)-C1-6alkyl or aryl-C1-6alkyl; R2 is C1-6alkyl; R3 is hydrogen or C1-6alkyl; R10 is hydrogen or C1-calkyl; R11 is hydrogen or C1-calkyl; Ar is phenyl which phenyl is unsubstituted or substituted with one to three substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C1-3alkyl, C1-3alkoxy, C1-3alkvlthio, trifluoromethyl and -N(R12)R13, wherein R12 and R13 are the same or 15 different, and independently are hydrogen or C1-3alkyl. More preferable are the compound represented by the formula [II], wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-7</sub>cycloalkyl. Carcycloalkyl-C1-6alkyl, di(Carcycloalkyl)-C1-6alkyl, C1-6alkoxy-C1-6alkyl, di(C1salkoxy)-C1\_salkyl or aryl-C1\_salkyl: R2 is C1\_salkyl: R3 is C1\_salkyl: R10 is hydrogen; R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen; Ar is phenyl which phenyl is substituted with 2 or 3 20 substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen or C1-3alkyl.

The preferable bond between X and Y is a double bond.

The preferable  $R^2$  is  $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl. More preferable  $R^2$  is methyl.

The preferable R3 is C1-6alkyl. More preferable R3 is ethyl.

The preferable R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen.

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The preferable R11 is hydrogen.

The preferable Ar is phenyl which phenyl is substituted with one to three substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-3</sub>alkylthio, trifluoromethyl and -N(R<sup>12</sup>)R<sup>13</sup>, wherein R<sup>12</sup> and R<sup>13</sup> are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl. The more preferable Ar is phenyl which phenyl is substituted with 2 or 3 substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting

of halogen or C1-3alkyl.

The compound of the formula [I] can be produced, for example, by the process shown in the following reaction schemes 1-3 (in the following reaction schemes,  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^{11}$  and Ar are as defined above,  $L^1$  and  $L^2$  are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of chloro, bromo, iodo, methanesulfonyloxy, benzenesulfonyloxy, toluenesulfonyloxy or trifluoromethanesulfonyloxy group,  $L^3$  is chloro, bromo or iodo,  $R^a$  is  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $R^b$  is  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl,  $R^d$  is hydrogen or  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl).

#### 10 Reaction Scheme 1

$$Ar \xrightarrow{R^3} Ar \xrightarrow{NH} Ar \xrightarrow{N} NH_2 \xrightarrow{(3)} Ar \xrightarrow{N} R^3$$

$$Ar \xrightarrow{N} NH_2 \xrightarrow{(3)} Ar \xrightarrow{N} R^3$$

$$Ar \xrightarrow{N} R^3$$

$$R^3 \xrightarrow{$$

Compound (7) and (8), the compounds in the present invention, can be prepared by the method shown in reaction scheme 1. Compound (1) can be transformed to (2) by using a reagent for conversion of amine to guanidine in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent. Treatment of compound (2) with compound (3) can provide compound (4) in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent. Compound (4) can be converted to compound (5) using a halogenating reagent or a sulfonating reagent in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent or without using a solvent. Compound (5) can be treated with compound (6) to form compound (7) in the presence or absence of a base in an 20 inert solvent. Treatment of compound (7) with an oxidizing agent in an inert

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solvent can give compound (8). When R<sup>3</sup> in compound (7) [or (8)] is hydrogen, treatment of compound (7) [or (8)] with an alkyLating reagent in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent can provide the N-alkylated compound (R3 = C1-6alkyl).

Herein, the reagent for conversion of arnine to guanidine includes, for example, cyanamide, S-alkylthiouronium salt an d its derivatives, aminoiminosulfonic acids, 3,5-dimethylpyrazole-1-carboxamidine nitrate, pyrazole-1-carboxamidine hydrochloride and the like. The base includes, for example, amines such as triethylamine, N,N-diis opropylethylamine, pyridine, N,Ndimethylaniline, N,N-diethylaniline and the like; inorganic bases such as sodium carbonate, potassium carbonate, sodium hydroge ncarbonate, potassium hydrogencarbonate, sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, barium hydroxide, sodium hydride and the like; metal alcoholates such as sodium methoxide, sodium ethoxide, potassium tert-butoxide and the like; meetal amides such as sodium amide, 15 lithium diisopropylamide and the like; and Grign ard reagents such as methyl magnesium bromide and the like. The halogeneating reagent includes, for example, phosphoryl chloride, phosphoryl bromide, phosphorous pentachloride, phosphorous trichloride, phosphorous pentabromide, phosphorous tribromide, thionyl chloride, thionyl bromide, oxalyl chloride, oxalyl bromide and the like. The sulfonating 20 reagent includes, for example, p-toluenesulfonyl chloride, methanesulfonyl chloride, p-toluenesulfonic anhydride, methansulfonic anhydride, trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride, N-phenylbis (trifluoromethanesulfonimide) and the like. The oxidizing agent includes, for example, manganese dioxide, potassium permanganate, palladium and the like. The inert solvent includes, for example, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene glycol and the like; ethers such as diethyl ether, diisopro pyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, 1,4dioxane, 1,2-dimethoxyethane and the like; hydro-carbons such as benzene, toluene and the like; esters such as ethyl acetate, ethyl for mate and the like; ketones such as acetone, methylethylketone and the like; amides such as N,N-dimethylformamide, N-methylpyrrolidone, N,N-dimethylacetamide an d the like; acetonitrile; dichloromethane; chloroform; dimethyl sulfoxide; pyridine; water; and mixtures of

solvents selected from these inert solvents.

Reaction Scheme 2

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Compound (15), the compound in the present invention, can be prepared by the method shown in reaction scheme 2. Compound (2), synthesized in the same manner as shown in reaction scheme 1, can be converted to compound (10) by reacting with compound (9) in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent. Treatment of compound (10) with a halogenating reagent or a sulfonating reagent in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent or without using a solvent can provide compound (11). Compound (11) can be reacted with compound (12) in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent to form 10 compound (13). Introduction of an iodine atom on the pyrimidine ring of compound (13) can be carried out in an inert solvent by using a conventional reagent for introducing an iodine atom such as iodine, iodine monochloride or the like. Compound (14) can be converted to compound (15) using a palladium catalyst, such as palladium (II) acetate, tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(0) or 15 the like, under a cabon oxide atomosphere in the presence or absence of a base and a ligand in an inert solvent. Herein, the base includes, for example, amines such as triethylamine, N,N-diisopropylethylamine, pyridine, N,N-dimethylaniline, N,Ndiethylaniline and the like; inorganic bases such as sodium carbonate, potassium carbonate, sodium hydrogencarbonate, potassium hydrogencarbonate, sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, barium hydroxide, sodium hydride and the like; metal alcoholates such as sodium methoxide, sodium ethoxide, potassium tertWO 2005/085253 PCT/JP2005/004266

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butoxide and the like; metal amides such as sodium amide, lithium diisopropylamide and the like; and Grignard reagents such as methyl magnesium bromide and the like. The halogenating reagent includes, for example, phosphoryl chloride, phosphoryl bromide, phosphorous pentach loride, phosphorous trichloride, phosphorous pentabromide, phosphorous tribromide, thionyl chloride, thionyl bromide, oxalyl chloride, oxalyl bromide and the like. The sulfonating reagent includes, for example, p-toluenesulfonyl chloride, m ethanesulfonyl chloride, ptoluenesulfonic anhydride, methansulfonic anhydride, trifluoromethanesulfonic anhydride, N-phenylbis(trifluoromethanesulfonimide) and the like. The ligand includes, for example, triphenylphosphine, 1,3-bis(daphenylphosphono)propane and the like. The inert solvent includes, for example, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene glycol and the like; ethers such as diethyl ether, diisopropyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, 1,4-dioxane, 1,2-dimethoxyethane and the like; hydrocarbons such as benzene, toluene and the like; esters such as ethyl acetate, 15 ethyl formate and the like; ketones such as acetone, rmethylethylketone and the like; amides such as N,N-dimethylformamide, N-methylp\_yrrolidone, N,Ndimethylacetamide and the like; acetonitrile; dichloromethane; chloroform; dimethyl sulfoxide; pyridine; water; and mixtures of solvents selected from these inert solvents.

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Reaction Scheme 3

Compound (19), (21), (23), (25), (26), (28), (29), (30), (32), (34), (35), (36), (37), (38) and (39), the compounds in the present invention, can be prepared by the method shown in reaction scheme 3. Compound (2) can be prepared in the same manner as shown in reaction scheme 1. Compound (17) was given by

reacting compound (2) with compound (16) in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent. Preparation of compound (17) from compound (1) may be performed in one pot continuously. Conversion of compound (17) to compound (18) can be carried out in the same method for the conversion of compound (4) to 5 compound (5) in reaction scheme 1. Treatment of compound (18) with amine (6) in the presence or absence of a base in an inert solvent can provide compound (19). Compound (19) can be transformed to compound (21) by treatment with a base and an alkylating reagent (20) in an inert so Ivent. Reacting compound (19) with aldehyde (22) in the presence of a base in an inert solvent gave an alkylidene 10 compound (23). Compound (25) can be provided by acylation of compound (19) with isocyanate (24) in the presence of base in an inert solvent. Reduction of a carbonyl group in compound (19) with a reducing agent in an inert solvent can provide compound (26). Compound (28) can be produced by Mannich reaction of compound (26) using an amine (27) and formaldehyde. Conversion of compound 15 (19) to oxime (29) can be performed by reacting compound (19) with a nitrite derivative in the presence or absence of an acid in an inert solvent. Following reduction of the oxime group in compound (29) with a reducing agent in an inert solvent can give compound (30). Acylation of the amino group in compound (30) by using an acylating agent (31) in an insert solvent can give compound (32). Urea 20 derivatives (34) can be produced by reacting compound (30) with an isocyanate (33) in an inert solvent. Reacting a mixture of compound (30) and an aldehyde (22) in the presence of a catalyst for hydrogenation under hydrogen atmosphere or in the presence of a reducing agent in an. inert solvent can provide compound (35). Compound (36) can be provided by oxiclation of compound (19) with an oxidizing agent in an inert solvent. Treatment of compound (36) with a Grignard reagent or alkyl lithium in an inert solvent can give compound (37). Reduction of compound (37) with a reducing agent in an inert solvent can provide compound (38) and/or compound (39).

Herein, the base includes, for example, amines such as triethylamine,

N,N-diisopropylethylamine, pyridine 1,8-diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene and the
like; inorganic bases such as sodium carbonate, potassium carbonate, sodium
hydrogen.carbonate, potassium hydroxide, potassium
hydroxide, barium hydroxide, sodium hydroxide and the like; metal alcoholates such

as sodium methoxide, sodium ethoxide, potassium tert-butoxide and the like; metal amides such as sodium amide, lithium diisopropylamide, lithium hexamethyldisilazanide, sodium hexamethyldisilazanide, potassium hexamethyldisilazanide and the like. The acid includes, for example, includes 5 inorganic acids such as sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, hydrobrormic acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid and the like; organic acids such as acetic acid, oxalic acid, lactic acid, tartaric acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, citric acid., benzenesulfonic acid, methanesulfonic acid, p-toluenesulfonic acid, benzoic acid, camphorsulfonic acid, ethanesulfonic acid, glucoheptonic acid, gluconic acid, 10 glutamic acid, glycolic acid, malic acid, malonic acid, mandelic acid, galactaric acid, naphthalene-2-sulfonic acid and the like. The reducing agent includes, for example, lithium borohydride, sodium borohydride, calcium borohydride, lithium triethylborohydride, lithium tri-sec-butylborohydride, potassium tri-secbutylborohydride, zinc borohydride, borane, lithium trimethoxyborohydride, 15 lithium triacetoxyborohydride, tetramethylammonium borohydride, lithium aluminum hydride, sodium aluminum hydride, sodium bis(2methoxyethoxy)aluminum hydride, diisobutylaluminum hydride, trichlorosilane and the like. The oxidizing agent includes, for example, manganese dioxide, potassium permanganate, palladium and the like. The catalyst for hydrogenation 20 includes, for example, palladium, nickel and the like. The Grignard reagent includes, for example, methylmagnesium iodide, methylmagnesium bromide, methylmagnesium chloride, ethylmagnesium bromide, ethylmagne sium chloride. The alkyl lithium includes, for example, methyllithium, ethyllithium, butyllithium and the like. The nitrite derivative includes, for example, nitrite salts such as sodium nitrite, potassium nitrite and the like; organic nitrite derivatives such as butyl nitrite, isobutylnitrite, isoamylnitrite and the like. The inert solvent includes, for example, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene glycol and the like; ethers such as diethyl ether, diisopropyl ether, tetrahyd rofuran, 1,4dioxane, 1,2-dimethoxyethane and the like; hydrocarbons such as b enzene, toluene and the like; esters such as ethyl acetate, ethyl formate and the like; ketones such as acetone, methylethylketone and the like; amides such as N,N-dimethylformamide, N-methylpyrrolidone, N,N-dimethylacetamide and the like; acetoni trile;

dichloromethane; chloroform; dimethyl sulfoxide; pyridine; water; and mixtures of

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solvents selected from these inert solvents.

The compound of the present invention cars be converted to a salt with an acid in an inert solvent. The acid includes inorgani c acids such as sulfuric acid, hydrochloric acid, hydrobromic acid, phosphoric acid, nitric acid and the like; 5 organic acids such as acetic acid, oxalic acid, lactic acid, tartaric acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, citric acid, benzenesulfonic acid, methanesulfonic acid, ptoluenesulfonic acid, benzoic acid, camphorsulfonic acid, ethanesulfonic acid, glucoheptonic acid, gluconic acid, glutamic acid, gly colic acid, malic acid, malonic acid, mandelic acid, galactaric acid, naphthalene-2-sulfonic acid and the like. The 10 inert solvent includes, for example, alcohols such as methanol, ethanol, isopropyl alcohol, ethylene glycol and the like; ethers such as diethyl ether, tetrahydrofuran, 1,4-dioxane, 1,2-dimethoxyethane and the like; hydrocarbons such as benzene, toluene and the like; amides such as N,N-dimethylformamide, N-methylpyrrolidone, N,N-dimethylacetamide and the like; esters such as ethyl acetate, ethyl formate and 15 the like; ketones such as acetone, methylethylketone and the like; acetonitrile; dichloromethane; chloroform; dimethyl sulfoxide; pyridine; water; and mixtures of solvents selected from these inert solvents.

The compound of the present invention is useful as a therapeutic or prophylactic agent for diseases in which CRF is considered to be involved. For this purpose, the compound of the present invention can be formulated into tablets, pills, capsules, granules, powders, solutions, emulsions, suspensions, injections and the like by a conventional preparation technique by adding conventional fillers, binders, disintegrators, pH-adjusting agents, solvents, etc.

The compound of the present invention can be administered to an adult patient in a dose of 0.1 to 500 mg per day in one portion or several portions or ally or parenterally. The dose can be properly increased or decreased depending on the kind of a disease and the age, body weight and symptom of a patient.

# PREFERRED ENBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is concretely explaine  ${\bf d}$  with reference to the following examples and a test example, but is not limited thereto.

Reference example 1

Synthesis of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-2-yl]-amine

- (Step 1) In a flask, equipped with a Dean Stark apparatus, a mixture of 2bromo-4-isopropyl aniline (50 g) and cyanamide (39 g) in ethyl acetate (850 rml) and ethanol (110 ml) was stirred at room temperature. A solution of 1M HC1 in ether was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h. The ether was distillated and the reaction mixture was stirred and refluxed overnight. The 10 reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature and diluted with ether (1000 ml) to give a solid. The solid was filtered off, washed with acetonitrile and dried to give 40 g of N-(2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-guanidine hydrochloride. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was crystallized from acetonitrile to provide a second fraction (8 g) of the product.
- (Step 2) A mixture of N-(2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-guanidine 15 hydrochloride (48 g), 2-acetylbutyrolactone (30 g) and triethylamine (33 g) in ethanol (170 ml) was stirred and refluxed overnight. The solvent was evapor-ated and the residue purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/ammonia 7M in methanol = 95:5) to give 2-(2-bromo-4isopropyl-phenylamino)-5-(2-hydroxy-ethyl)-6-methyl-3H-pyrimidin-4-one (25 g)

as a solid.

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(Step 3) A mixture of 2-(2-bromo-4-isopropyl-pheraylamino)-5-(2hydroxy-ethyl)-6-methyl-3H-pyrimidin-4-one (23.5 g) and p-hosphorus oxychloride (300ml) was stirred at 60°C overnight. The reaction mixture was concentrated 5 under reduced pressure, washed with water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane = 100) to give (2-bromo-4-isopropy-l-phenyl)-[4-chloro-5-(2-chloro-ethyl)-6-methyl-pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (22 g) as a solid.

(Step 4) A mixture of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl )-[4-chloro-5-(2chloro-ethyl)-6-methyl-pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (6 g) and 2-methoxyethylamine (1.5 g) in dioxane (50 ml) was stirred at 120°C overnight. The s olvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by a silica gel column chromato graphy (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 97:3) to give (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-15 methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrixnidine-2-yl]-amine (3.6 g).

# Reference example 2

Synthesis of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine

A mixture of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-m-ethoxy-ethyl)-4methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-2-yl]-amine (0.6 g), iodoethane (0.3 g) and sodium hydride (0.3 g) in tetrahydrofuran (20 ml) was stirred at 60°C for 4 h. Ethyl acetate (40 ml) and a solution of sodium hydroxide 0.5M (40 ml)

were added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with water, separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: 5 dichloromethane/methanol = 97:3) to give (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-

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amine (0.46 g).

Synthesis of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (1-010)

A mixture of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-2-yl]-amine (1.7 g) and manganese(IV) oxide (1.5 g) in dioxane (25 ml) was stirred and refluxed for 4 h.

The reaction mixture was cooled and filtered over decalite. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 99:1) to give (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yll-amine (0.31 g).

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Example 2

Synthesis of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (1-003)

A mixture of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4
5 methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (0.4 g) and
manganese(IV) oxide (0.4 g) in dioxane (10 ml) was stirred and refluxed for 3 h.

The reaction mixture was cooled and filtered over decalite. The filtrate was
concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by a silica gel column
chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 99:1) to give (2-bromo-4
10 isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin2-yl]-amine (0.37 g).

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Synthesis of (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)-ethyl-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (1-002)

methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (0.9 g), iodoethane (0.4 g) and sodium hydride (0.4 g) in tetrahydrofuran (20 ml) was stirred at 60°C for 4 h. Ethyl acetate (50 ml) and a solution of sodium hydroxide 0.5M (50 ml) were added. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic layers were washed with water, separated, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 98:2) to give (2-bromo-4-isopropyl-phenyl)—ethyl-[7-(2-methoxy-ethyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-amine (O.32 g).

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Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-2-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenylamino)-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione (4-002)

(Step 1) is analogous to (Reference example 1, step 1).

(Step 2) A mixture of N-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-guanidine

5 hydrochloride (14.8 g), ethyl acetoacetate (39 g) and potassium carbonate (14 g) in

ethanol (300 ml) was stirred and refluxed for 16 h. The solvent was evaporated

and the residue purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent:

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dichloromethane/methanol = 98:2). The product was crystallized from hexane, filtered and dried to provide 6-methyl-2-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenylamino)-pyrimidine-4-ol (15 g).

(Step 3) A mixture of 6-methyl-2-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenylamino)
5 pyrimidine-4-ol (15 g) and phosphorus oxychloride (200 ml) was stirred and refluxed for 16 h. The reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was dissolved in dichloromethane. Water was added and the mixture was alkalified with potassium carbonate. The organic layer was washed with water, dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane = 100) to give (4-chloro-6-methyl-pyrimidine-2-yl)-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (11g).

(Step 4) A mixture of (4-chloro-6-methyl-pyrimidine-2-yl)-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (7.5 g), 3-ethyl-propylamine (3.5 g) and potassium

15 carbonate (3.5 g) in acetonitrile was stirred at 125°C for 2 days. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate and filtered. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/7M ammonia in methanol = 98 : 2). The product was crystallized from isopropyl ether, filtered and dried to give N<sup>4</sup>-(1-ethyl-propyl)-6-methyl-N<sup>2</sup>-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-pyrimidine-2,4-diamine (3.1 g).

(Step 5) To a solution of N<sup>4</sup>-(1-ethyl-propyl)-6-methyl-N<sup>2</sup>-(2,4,6
25 trimethyl-phenyl)-pyrimidine-2,4-diamine (3.1 g) in methanol (30 ml) at room
temperature was added dropwise a 1M solution of iodine monochloride in
dichloromethane (10 ml). The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h and
concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by silica gel
column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 98 : 2), crystallized

30 from isopropyl ether, filtered and dried to provide N<sup>4</sup>-(1-ethyl-propyl)-5-iodo-6-

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methyl-N<sup>2</sup>-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-pyrimidine-2,4-diamine (2.6 g).

(Step 6) A mixture of N<sup>4</sup>-(1-ethyl-propyl)-5-iodo-6-methyl-N<sup>2</sup>-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-pyrimidine-2,4-diamine (0.5 g), palladium(II) acetate (0.02 g), 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane (0.08 g) and triethylamine (1 g) in tetrahydrofuran (50 ml) was stirred under 60 atmosphere CO pressure, at 75°C for 16 h. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 95:5) to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-2-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenylamino)-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-dlovimidine-5,6-dione (0.12 g).

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Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione (4-001)

(Step1 and step 2) A mixture of ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (50 g) and cyanamide (21 g) in N-methylpyrrolidone (50 ml) was stirred at 150°C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Ethanol (500 ml),

ethyl acetoacetate (65 g) and potassium carbonate (37 g) were added and the mixture was stirred and refluxed for 16 h. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in water and extracted with ethyl acetate (2x). The combined organic layers were washed with water, dried over magnesium sulfate 5 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was crystallized from isopropyl ether, filtered and dried to provide 2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)aminol-6-methyl-pyrimidin-4-ol (29 g). The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give a second fraction of the product (7.7 g).

(Step 3) A mixture of 2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-6-methylpyrimidin-4-ol (2.7 g) and N,N-diisopropylethylamine (1.6 g) in dichloromethane (100 ml) was stirred under nitrogen at 0°C. Triflic anhydride (3.4 g) was added dropwise. The reaction mixture was brought to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. Water was added and the organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, 15 filtered and evaporated to give trifluoro-methanesulfonic acid 2-[ethyl-(2,4,6trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-6-methyl-pyrimidin-4-yl ester (4.1 g).

(Step 4) is analogous to (example 4, step 4).

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(Step 5) is analogous to (example 4, step 5).

(Step 6) A mixture of N<sup>2</sup>-ethyl-N<sup>4</sup>-(1-ethyl-propyl)-5-iodo-6-methyl-N<sup>2</sup>-20 (2.4.6-trimethyl-phenyl)-pyrimidine-2,4-diamine (0.5 g), palladium(II) acetate (0.02 g), 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane (0.08 g) and diethylamine (25 ml) in tetrahydrofuran (50 ml) was stirred under 60 atmosphere CO pressure, at 75°C for 16 h. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 95: 5) to give N,N-25 diethyl-2-{4-(1-ethyl-propylamino)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-6methyl-pyrimidin-5-yl}-2-oxo-acetamide (0.2 g).

(Step 7) N,N-diethyl-2-{4-(1-ethyl-propylamino)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6trimethyl-phenyl)-aminol-6-methyl-pyrimidin-5-yl}-2-oxo-acetamide (0.05 g) and 2.7

a solution of 6M hydrochloric acid in 2-propanol (1 ml) were stirred at 150°C for 30 minutes. The product was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5.6-dione (0.006 g).

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Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (3-001)

(Step 1 and step 2) A mixture of ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (50 g) and cyanamide (21 g) in N-methylpyrrolidone (50 ml) was stirred at 150°C for 1 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. Ethanol (1000 ml), diethyl acetylsuccinate (65 g) and potassium carbonate (74 g) were added and the mixture was stirred and refluxed for 16 h. Diethyl acetylsuccinate (65 g) was added a second time and the reaction mixture was stirred and refluxed for 24 h. A solution of 6M hydrochloric acid in 2-propanol was added and the mixture was stirred at 60°C for 24 h. The solvent was evaporated and water was added. The mixture was alkalified with a solution of potassium carbonate and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 95:5) to provide {2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-hydroxy-6-methyl-pyrimidin-5-yl}-

acetic acid ethyl ester (78 g).

(Step 3) is analogous to (example 5, step 3)

(Step 4) A mixture of {2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4methyl-6-trifluoromethanesulfonyloxy-pyrimidin-5-yl}-acetic acid ethyl ester (10 5 g), 1-ethyl-propylamine (4 g) and potassium carbonate (4 g) in acetonitrile (100 ml) was stirred at 125°C for 72 h. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was dissolved in water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate and evaporated to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2.4.6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6one

(8 g).

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#### Example 7

Synthesis of 5-ethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)amino]-5-hydroxy-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (3-020)

(Step 1) A mixture of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.6 g) and manganese(IV) oxide (0.5 g) in dichloromethane (2 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. The reaction mixture was filtered over decalite and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-2.0 dione (0.1 g).

phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione (0.15 g) in tetrahydrofuran (1.5 ml) under nitrogen was stirred at –20°C. 1 M ethylmagnesium bromide in tetrahydrofuran (0.5 ml) was added. The reaction mixture was brought to room temperature and stirred for 1 h. A solution of ammonium chloride (1 ml) was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 5-ethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-5-hydroxy-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.034 g).

#### Example 8

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Synthesis of ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4,5-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (2-001) and ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4,5-dimethyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]- (2,4,6-trimethyl-15-phenyl)-amine (1-015)

7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-5-hydroxy-4,5-dimethyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.8 g), prepared in the similar method as example 7, in tetrahydrofuran (20 ml) was stirred at 0°C under nitrogen. Borane-tetrahydrofuran complex, 1M solution in tetrahydrofuran (14 ml) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 16 h. The solvent was evaporated, water and potassium carbonate were added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4,5-dimethyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pytrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]- (2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (0.035 g) and ethyl-

[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4,5-dimethyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]- (2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (0.011 g).

# Example 9

Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]5 4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione 5-oxime (6-001)

A solution of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (1.3 g) in acetic acid
(20 ml) was stirred at room temperature. Sodium nitrite (0.5 g) was added and 3
drops of water were added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h, poured out
into water and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over
magnesium sulfate, filtered and evaporated to provide 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione
5-oxime (1.4 g) as a mixture of the geometric isomers.

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 $Synthesis of N-\{7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-yl\}-propionamide (3-005)$ 

(Step 1) 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidine-5,6-dione 5-oxime (0.5 g) was hydrogenated with Raney Nickel in tetrahydrofuran (50 ml). The reaction mixture was filtered over decalite and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure to give 5-amino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.5 g).

5 (Step 2) A mixture of 5-amino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.15 g), propionyl chloride (0.055 g) and triethylamine (0.1 g) in dichloromethane (2 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over 10 magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give N-{7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-yl}-propionamide (0.034 g).

#### 15 Example 11

 $Synthesis of 1-{7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-yl}-3-isopropyl-urea (3-007)$ 

A mixture of 5-amino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl20 phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.15 g), 2isocyanato-propane (0.042 g), dimethylaminopropylamine (cat.) in dioxane (3
ml) was stirred at room temperature for 16 h. Water was added and the product
was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over
magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue
25 was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium

acetate/acetonitrile) to give 1-{7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-yl}-3-isopropyl-urea (0.015 g).

#### Example 12

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Synthesis of 5-dimethylamino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (3-010)

A mixture of 5-amino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.1 g),

paraformaldehyde (0.1 g), palladium on activated carbon, 10 % (0.1 g) and thiophene 4% in diisopropylether (0.1 ml) in methanol (40 ml) was hydrogenated at 50°C. The reaction mixture was filtered over decalite and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 5-dimethylamino-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.013 g).

#### 20 Example 13

Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4.5,5-trimethyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (3-009)

A mixture of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]4-methyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.15 g) and sodium hydride
5 50% (0.04 g) in tetrahydrofuran was stirred at room temperature for 15 minutes.
Iodomethane (0.12 g) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h.
Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column
10 chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4,5,5-trimethyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.004 g).

#### Example 14

Synthesis of 5,5-diethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (3-018)

A mixture of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.015 g) and sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide in dioxane (2 ml) was stirred at room temperature for 15 minutes under nitrogen. Bromoethane (0.087 g) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 60°C for 1 h. Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 5,5-diethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.018 g).

Example 15

Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-5-isobutylidene-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (5-001)

A mixture of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]
4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.15 g), isobutyraldehyde

(0.057 g) and piperidine in dioxane (1.5 ml) was stirred at 65°C for 16 h. Water

was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic

layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced

pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography

(eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6
trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-5-isobutylidene-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3
dlbyrimidin-6-one (0.071 g) as a mixture of the geometric isomers.

Example 16

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Synthesis of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]
4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-carboxylic acid isopropylamide (3-022)

A mixture of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (0.15 g), 2-isocyanato propane (0.042 g) and sodium bis(trimethylsilyl)amide in dioxane (2 ml) was stirred at 85°C for 16 h. Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated

under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (eluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give 7-(1-ethylpropyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-6-oxo-6,7-dihydro-5Hpyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-carboxylic acid isopropylamide (0.114 g).

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Synthesis of ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (1-008)

(Step 1) A solution of 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-5,7-dihydro-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-6-one (1 g) in 10 tetrahydrofuran (20 ml) was stirred at 0°C under nitrogen. Boranetetrahydrofuran complex, 1M solution in tetrahydrofuran (12.5 ml) was added dropwise and the reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at room temperature. Methanol/acetic acid 1:1 was added and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was dissolved in water, alkalified with potassium carbonate and extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure to provide a mixture of ethyl-[7-(1-ethylpropyl)-4-methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)-amine (60%) and ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (32 %) (1 g). The residue was used without further purification.

(Step 2) A mixture of ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-6,7-dihydro-5H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (60%) and ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (32%) (1 g) and manganese(IV) oxide (5 g) in dichloromethane were stirred at room temperature for 76 h. The reaction mixture was filtered over decalite and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a silica gel column chromatography (eluent: dichloromethane/methanol = 98: 2) to give ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino (0.119 g) and 7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-2-[ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amino]-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-5-5-dione.

#### Example 18

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Synthesis of [5-dimethylaminomethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7Hpyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (1-014)

Formaldehyde, 37wt% solution (0.5 ml) was stirred at room temperature. Dimethylamine in water was added and the reaction mixture was stirred for 15 minutes. Ethyl-[7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (0.05 g) in methanol (0.5 ml) was added and the reaction mixture was stirred at 60°C for 3 h. Water was added and the product was extracted with dichloromethane. The organic layer was dried over magnesium sulfate, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by a reversed phase column chromatography (cluent: ammonium acetate/acetonitrile) to give [5-dimethylaminomethyl-7-(1-ethyl-propyl)-4-methyl-7H-pyrrolo[2,3-d]pyrimidin-2-yl]-ethyl-(2,4,6-trimethyl-phenyl)-amine (0.015 g).

Tables 1-6 list the compounds obtained in Examples 1-20 and compounds obtained by the similar procedure as in Examples 1-20.

Table 1\*1 37  $\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{R^{10}} \\ \mathbf{R^{1}} \\ \mathbf{R^{1}} \\ \end{array}$ 

Com. No.	Ex. No.	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>10</sup>	R <sup>11</sup>	ļ Ār	MS	R.T. (min
1-001	3	9	Et	Н	н	Br	ESI 463 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	14.0
1-002	3	OMe	Et	Н	н	Br	ESI 431 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	7.3
1-003	2	1	Et	н	Н	Br	EI 442 (M <sup>†</sup> )	19.4
1-004	2	OMe	Et	Н	Н	Br	ESI 81 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	12.4
1-005	3	9	Et	н	Н	CI	ESI 411 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	9.9
1-006	3	ОМе	Et	Н	Н	CI	EI 378 (M <sup>+</sup> )	6.0
1-007	2	Ţ	Et	Н	Н	CI	EI 390 (M <sup>+</sup> )	14.9
1-008	17	1	Et	Н	Н	Me Me	ESI 365 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	19.2
1-009	1	9	н	Н	Н	Br	ESI 435 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	11.0

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1-010	1	OMe	Н	Н	Н	Br ESI 403 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	6.2
1-011	1	OMe	Et	Н	н	Br ESI 481 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	11.8
1-012	1	9	Н	Н	Н	CI ESI 383 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	8.3
1-013	1	OMe	Н	Н	Н	CI EI 350 (M <sup>†</sup> )	5.2
1-014	18	$\downarrow$	Et	Н	CH <sub>2</sub> NMe <sub>2</sub>	Me He ESI 444 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	10.2
1-015	8		Et	Н	Ме	Me He ESI 401 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	20.5

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, EI = electron ionization, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm  $\times$  150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80 : 20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

Table 2\*1

Com. No.	Ex. No.	$\mathbb{R}^{1}$	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	R <sup>5</sup>	R <sup>6</sup>	R <sup>7</sup>	j MS Ar	R.T. (min
2-001	8	Ĺ	Et	н	Н	Me	н	Me ESI 381 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	3.6

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, EI = electron ionization, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm  $\times$  150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80 : 20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

Table 3\*1

Com. No.	Ex. No.	$\mathbb{R}^{1}$	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>6</sup>	R <sup>7</sup>	J MS Ar	R.T. (min
3-001	6		Et	Н	Н	Me EI 380 (M <sup>+</sup> )	9.9
3-002*2	10		Et	Me Me	н	Me 480 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	4.6

3-003 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et Me H Me H Me 466 (M <sup>2</sup> +1) 4.4  3-004 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et O H Me ESI 3-005 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et Et O H Me H Me 452 (M <sup>2</sup> +1) 4.3  3-005 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et Et O H Me H Me 490 (M <sup>2</sup> +1) 4.2  3-006 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et Me H Me H Me ESI 503 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-007 11 Et Me Me Me ESI 503 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-008 11 Et Me Me Me H Me ESI 503 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-010 12 Et Me Me Me H Me ESI 17.1  3-010 12 Et Me Me Me H Me ESI 17.4  3-011 10 Et Me Me Me ESI 5.5  3-012 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  3-013 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9  443 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-19		-						
3-004 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et O H Me He 464 (M*+1) 4.3  3-005 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et E H Me H Me 452 (M*+1) 4.3  3-006 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et Me Me H Me H Me ESI 5.9  3-007 11 Et Me Me Me ESI 5.9  3-008 11 Et Me Me Me ESI 5.9  3-009 13 Et Me Me Me H Me ESI 408 (M*+Na)  3-010 12 Et Me Me Me Me ESI 5.9  3-011 10 Et Me Me Me ESI 5.5  3-012 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  3-013 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9  443 (M*+Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9  443 (M*+Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9	3-003*2	10		Et	Me O HN	Н	Me 466 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	4.4
3-006 <sup>12</sup> 10 Et Et OH H Me HSI (M*+1) 4.3  BET OF HIN ME H ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.3  BET OF HIN ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.2  BET OF HIN ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.3  BET OF HIN ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.2  BET OF HIN ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.3  BET OF HIN ME AS2 (M*+1) 4.2  BET OF HIN ME AS2	3-004*2	10	7	Et	HN	Н	Me 464 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	4.3
3-006 <sup>2</sup> 10 Et OH Me Me 490 (M*+1) 4.2  HN Me ESI 5.9  503 (M*+Na) 5.9  HN Me ESI 5.9  17.1  408 (M*+1) 17.1  408 (M*+1) 17.1  423 (M*)  3-010 12 Et Me Me Me Me EI 17.4  423 (M*)  HN Me ESI 5.5  460 (M*+Na) 5.5  HN Me ESI 7.6  433 (M*+Na) 7.6  3-013 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  433 (M*+Na) 8.5  445 (M*+Na) 8.5	3-005*2	10	Ţ	Et	١	Н	Me 452 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	4.3
3-008 11 Et "PF" HN Me SSI 503 (M"+Na) 509 HN Me SSI 7.6 HN Me ME SSI 7.9 HN ME ME ME SSI 7.9 HN ME ME ME SSI 7.9 HN ME	3-006*2	10	ζ.	Et	D + N	Н	Me 490 (M*+1)	4.2
3-009 13 Et Me Me Me Me EI 17.1  3-010 12 Et Me Me Me Me EI 408 (M+1)  3-011 10 Et Me H Me ESI 5.5  460 (M+Na) 5.5  460 (M+Na) 5.5  460 (M+Na) 7.6  433 (M+Na) 7.6  43-013 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 445 (M+Na) 8.5  445 (M+Na) 8.5  443 (M+Na) 7.9	3-007	11	L	Et		Н	503 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	5.9
3-010 12 Et Me H Me EI 17.4  3-011 10 Et Me O H Me ESI 5.5  460 (M <sup>†</sup> +Na)  3-012 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 433 (M <sup>†</sup> +Na)  3-013 7 Et OH H <sub>2</sub> C Me ESI 445 (M <sup>†</sup> +Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 445 (M <sup>†</sup> +Na)	3-008	11	Ţ	Et		Н	503 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	5.9
3-011 10 Et Me HN Me ESI 7.6  3-013 7 Et OH H <sub>2</sub> C Me ESI 443 (M'+Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 443 (M'+Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9	3-009	13	Ĺ	Et	Ме	Me	408 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	17.1
3-012 7 Et OH Me Me ESI 7.6  3-013 7 Et OH H <sub>2</sub> C Me ESI 445 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me Me ESI 7.9	3-010	12	L	Et		Н		17.4
3-013 7 Et OH H <sub>2</sub> C Me ESI 8.5 Me CSI 445 (M <sup>2</sup> +Na)  3-014 7 Et OH H Me ESI 7.9	3-011	10	Ĺ	Et	١.	Н	460 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	5.5
3-014 7 Et OH H Me ESI 7.9	3-012	7	7	Et	ОН	Ме		7.6
443 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	3-013	7	$\angle$	Et	ОН	H <sub>2</sub> C	445 (M+Na)	8.5
	3-014	7	7	Et	ОН	н	443 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	7.9

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3-015	7	Ţ	Et	ОН	Me Me	Me ESI 475 (M*+Na)	12.4
3-016	7	7	Et	ОН	CH <sub>2</sub>	Me ESI 459 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	10.7
3-017	7	Ţ	Et	ОН	4	Me ESI 459 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	9.3
3-018	14	Ĺ	Et	Et	Et	Me ESI 437 (M <sup>+</sup> +1)	24.2
3-019	14	7	Et	1	1	Me ESI 483 (M*+:Na)	23.7
3-020	7	7	Et	ОН	Et	Me ESI 447 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	8.7
3-021	14	7	Et	-CH <sub>2</sub> 0	CH <sub>2</sub> -	Me ESI 429 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	21.6
3-022	16	7	Et	Me NH	Н	Me ESI 488 (M++Na)	5.8

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, EI = electron ionization, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm × 150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80: 20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

\*2: HPLC conditions: X Terra MS C18 2.5 $\mu$ m, 4.6 mm x 50 mm; Waters; Flow rate: 1.2 ml/min; mobile phase: A = 0.5 % ammonium acetate in H<sub>2</sub>O/CH<sub>3</sub>CN (90/10); B = methanol; C = acetonitrile; gradient: start: 90% A + 10% B; end: 10% A + 90% C

Table 4\*1

Com. No.	Ex. No.	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	J MS Ar	R.T. (min)
4-001	5		Et	Me ESI 417 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	7.9, 9.6
4-002	4	Ţ	Н	Me ESI 389 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	4.1

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm × 150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80: 20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

Table 5<sup>\*1</sup>

R<sup>9</sup>
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R<sup>3</sup>

Com. No.	Ex. No.	_R¹	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>9</sup>	År	MS	R.T. (min)
5-001	15	7	Et	Me Me—	Me Me	ESI 457 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	31.8, 42.2
5-002	15	1	Et	2	Me Me	ESI 481 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	21.6, 38.1
5-003	15		Et	4	Me Me	ESI 455 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	23.5, 26.2
5-004	15	I.	Et	$\bigcap_{N}$	Me Me	ESI 492 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	13.1, 16.7
5-005	15	L,	Et	N=N-Me	Me Me	ESI 495 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	7.4, 9.4

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm × 150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80:20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

Com. No.	Ex. No.	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>8</sup>	 Ar	MS	R.T. (min)
6-001	9	ζ.	Et	Н	Me Me	ESI 432 (M <sup>+</sup> +Na)	7.8, 10.0

\*1: Com. No. = compound number, Ex. No. = example number, Me = methyl, Et = ethyl, MS = mass spectrum, ESI = electrospray ionization, R.T. = retention time on HPLC, HPLC conditions: Capcell Pak UG120, 4.6 mm × 150 mm, Shiseido; Flow rate: 1.0 ml/min; mobile phase: acetonitrile / 0.05M ammonium acetate aqueous solution (80: 20), pH of the solvent was adjusted to 7.4 with aqueous ammonia or acetic acid.

Test Example [CRF receptor binding test]

Monkey amygdala membranes were used as a receptor preparation.

<sup>125</sup>I-CRF was used as <sup>125</sup>I-labeled ligand.

Binding reaction using the 125 I-labeled ligand was carried out by the

following method described in The Journal of Neuroscience, 7, 88 (1987).

Preparation of receptor membranes:

Monkey amygdala was homogenized in 50 mM Tris-HCl buffer (pH 7.0) containing 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 2 mM EDTA and centrifuged at 48,000 x g for 20 min, and the precipitate was washed once with Tris-HCl buffer. The washed

10 precipitate was suspended in 50 mM Tris-HCl buffer (pH 7.0) containing 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 2 mM EDTA, 0.1% bovine serum albumin and 100 kallikrein units/ml aprotinin, to obtain a membrane preparation.

CRF receptor binding test:

The membrane preparation (0.3 mg protein/ml), <sup>125</sup>I-CRF (0.2 nM) and a

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test drug were reacted at 25°C for 2 h. After completion of the reaction, the reaction mixture was filtered by suction through a glass filter (GF/C) treated with 0.3% polyethylene imine, and the glass filter was washed three times with phosphate-buffered sal ine containing 0.01% Triton X-100. After the washing, the radioactivity of the filter paper was measured in a gamma counter.

The amount of  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  bound when the reaction was carried out in the presence of 1  $\mu$ M CRF was taken as the degree of nonspecific binding of  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$ , and the difference between the total degree of  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  binding and the degree of nonspecific  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  binding was taken as the degree of specific  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  binding. An inhibition curve was obtained by reacting a definite concentration (0.2 nM) of  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  with various concentrations of each test drug under the conditions described above. A concentration of the test drug at which binding of  $^{125}\text{I-CRF}$  is inhibited by 50% (IC<sub>50</sub>) was determined from the inhibition curve.

As a result, it was found that compounds 1-003, 1-004, 1-008 and 1-011

15 can be exemplified as typical compounds having an IC<sub>50</sub> value of 200 nM or less.

#### ADVANTAGEOUS EFFECT OF THE INVENTION

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According to the present invention, compounds having a high affinity for CRF receptors have been provided. These compounds are effective against diseases in which CRF is considered to be involved, such as depression, anxiety, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's chorea, eating disorder, hypertension, gastro-intesinal diseases, drug dependence, cerebral infarction, cerebral ischemia, cerebral edema, cephalic external wound, inflammation, immunity-related diseases, alpecia, irritable bowel syndrome, sleep disorders, epilepsy, dermatitides, schizophrenia, pain, etc.

#### 46 CLAIMS

1. A pyrrolopyrimidine derivative represented by the following formula [I]:

(wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2.9</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>3.7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3.7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1.5</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, hydroxy-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, carbamoyl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl or heteroaryl-C<sub>1.9</sub>alkyl, in which said aryl and heteroaryl are optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, halogen, C<sub>1.6</sub>haloalkyl, cyano, nitro, ¬NR<sup>1a</sup>R<sup>1b</sup>, where R<sup>1a</sup> and R<sup>1b</sup> are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1.6</sub>alkyl and C<sub>1.6</sub>alkylcarbonyl;

R2 is C1.6alkyl or C1.6haloalkyl:

R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, benzyl;

the bond between X and Y is a single bond or a double bond;

wherein (1) when the bond between X and Y is a single bond, X is  $CR^4R^5$  or C=O; Y is  $CR^6R^7$ , C=O, C=N-OR $^8$  or C=CH-R $^9$ ; (2) when the bond between X and Y is a double bond, X is  $CR^{10}$ ; Y is  $CR^{11}$ ;

 $R^4$  and  $R^5$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or  $C_{1,\alpha} alkyl;$ 

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>.

6alkyl, C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, hydroxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylamino, di(C<sub>1</sub>.

6alkyl)amino, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylcarbonylamino, C<sub>3</sub>.

6cycloalkylcarbonylamino, arylcarbonylamino, heteroarylcarbonylamino, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylaminocarbonyl or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylaminocarbonylamino; or R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are taken together to form C<sub>3-6</sub>cycloalkyl, with the proviso that not both of CR<sup>4</sup>R<sup>5</sup> and CR<sup>6</sup>R<sup>7</sup>.

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are CH2:

R8 is hydrogen or C1-6alkyl;

 $R^9$  is  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl, wherein said aryl and heteroaryl are optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from the group consisting of halogen or  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl;

R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

Ar is aryl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 or more substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylthio, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminosulfonyl, cyano, C<sub>1-6</sub>haloalkyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and -N(R<sup>12</sup>)R<sup>13</sup>, wherein R<sup>12</sup> and R<sup>13</sup> are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl), individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.

2. The pyrrolopyrimidine derivative according to claim 1 represented by the following formula [II]:

(wherein  $R^1$  is  $C_{1.9}$ alkyl,  $C_{2.9}$ alkenyl,  $C_{3.7}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{3.7}$ cycloalkyl- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, di( $C_{3.7}$ cycloalkyl)- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl,  $C_{1.6}$ alkoxy- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, di( $C_{1.6}$ alkoxy)- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, hydroxy- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, carbamoyl- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, di( $C_{1.6}$ alkyl)amino- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, aryl- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl or heteroaryl- $C_{1.9}$ alkyl, in which said aryl and heteroaryl optionally substituted with one to three substituents independently selected from the group consisting of  $C_{1.6}$ alkyl,  $C_{1.6}$ alkoxy,  $C_{1.6}$ alkylthio,  $C_{1.6}$ alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono( $C_{1.6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di( $C_{1.6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, halogen,  $C_{1.6}$ haloalkyl, cyano, nitro, -NR $^{1}$ R $^{1}$ b, where  $R^{1}$ a and  $R^{1}$ b are each independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1.6}$ 

salkyl and Cisalkylcarbonyl:

R2 is C1-6alky1 or C1-6haloalky1;

R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, benzyl;

R<sup>10</sup> is hydrog en or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl;

Ar is aryl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with 1 or more substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl,  $C_{3-7}$ cycloalkyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkenyl,  $C_{2-6}$ alkynyl,  $C_{1-6}$ alkoxy,  $C_{1-6}$ alkylthio,  $C_{1-6}$ alkylsulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono( $C_{1-6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, di( $C_{1-6}$ alkyl)aminosulfonyl, cyano, halo $C_{1-6}$ alkyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and  $-N(R^{12})R^{13}$ , wherein  $R^{12}$  and  $R^{13}$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or  $C_{1-6}$ alkyl), individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.

- 3. The pyrrolopyrimidine derivative according to claim 2 represented by the formula [II], wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>2-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, pydroxy-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, cyano-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, carbamoyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alky)amino-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, aryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or heteroaryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>2</sup> is C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>11</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl)aminoC<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; Ar is aryl or heteroaryl which aryl or heteroaryl is unsubstituted or substituted with one to three substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkenyl, C<sub>2-6</sub>alkynyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkylthio, cyano, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, difluoromethoxy, fluoromethoxy and -N(R<sup>12</sup>)R<sup>13</sup>, wherein R<sup>12</sup> and R<sup>13</sup> are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.
- 4. The pyrrolopyrimidine derivative according to claim 2 represented by the formula [II], wherein R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or aryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>2</sup> is C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>10</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R<sup>11</sup>

is hydrogen or  $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl; Ar is phenyl which phenyl is unsubstituted or substituted with one to three substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkyl,  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkoyy,  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkylthio, trifluoromethyl and -N( $R^{12}$ ) $R^{13}$ , wherein  $R^{12}$  and  $R^{13}$  are the same or different, and independently are hydrogen or  $C_{1\text{-}3}$ alkyl, individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.

- 5. The pyrrolopyrimidine derivative according to claim 2 represented by the formula [II], wherein R¹ is C<sub>1-9</sub>alkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl, C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>3-7</sub>cycloalkyl)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl, di(C<sub>1-6</sub>alkoxy)-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl or aryl-C<sub>1-6</sub>alkyl; R² is C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl; R³ is C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl; R¹ is hydrogen; R¹¹ is hydrogen; Ar is phenyl which phenyl is substituted with 2 or 3 substituents, which are the same or different, selected from the group consisting of halogen or C<sub>1-3</sub>alkyl, individual isomers thereof or racemic or non-racemic mixtures of isomers thereof, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts and hydrates thereof.
- An antagonist for CRF receptors, comprising a pyrrolopyrimidine derivative, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or its hydrate according to any one of claims 1 to 5, as an active ingredient.
- Use of a pyrrolopyrimidine derivative, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof or its hydrate according to any one of claim 1 to 5, for the manufacture of an antagonist for CRF receptors.

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